

WAR VESSELS HOVER AROUND CAPES

SOCIALISTS
MAKE REPLY
TO APPEALSManifesto by General Com-
mittee in Answer to
Leaflets Sent.

TEST IS NOW SEVERE

Labor Is Warned Against
Machinations of Apostles
of Protest.

Berlin, July 26, (via London, July 27).—The manifesto to the working classes, issued by the socialist executive committee and the general commission of labor unions, appealing against the general strike of the Liebknecht socialists are trying to organize, says in part:

"The prolonged war weighs heavily on all nations and entails great sacrifices. It severely tests the endurance of those at home and at the front and it is natural that ill feeling and discontent should develop.

"This situation is unfortunately being abused by irresponsible individuals who wish to mislead labor into resorting to measures which are not in the slightest degree adapted to relieve the burden but rather to increase it. An attempt is being made through anonymous leaflets to sow hatred and distrust against the deputies chosen by the workmen themselves. The charges launched against these men who for years have stood at the head of the organization of German labor classes is that they are sacrificing socialist principles. Have disregarded decisions of German socialist party conventions and international congresses, and have perpetrated party treason, etc.

Should Disregard Insinuations.
"Such insinuations and abuse could be disregarded if labor simultaneously was not instigated to ill advised proceedings and an unscrupulous propaganda conducted for strikes and mass actions.

"We consider it our duty to warn labor against the machinations of apostles of protest and anonymity. "Extraordinary difficulties are present in the distribution of the food supplies. We have not failed to combat abuses existing in this field with every means at our disposal. We have struggled for the efficiency of measures for the relief of the unemployed and for the aid of the wives and widows of soldiers and the wounded.

Aid Coming of Peace.
"Our most important task is to aid in the speedy coming of peace. The competent organization in the labor movement is conscious of this great duty and is working untiringly to fulfill it."PUBLIC EXECUTION
IS NOT PROBABLE

London, July 27.—Justice Darling announced today that the five judges who operated in the state can be taken as a criterion. Motor vehicles registered in the United States numbered 2,445,564 last year, the office of public roads of the department of agriculture announced today, and Iowa led with one for every 16 inhabitants.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline
and Vicinity

Generally fair with continued high temperature tonight and Friday with highest temperature Friday about 95 to 100 degrees.

Temperature at 7 a. m. 80. Highest yesterday 103, lowest last night, 78, at 1 p. m. today, 88.

Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 2 miles per hour.

Precipitation none.

Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 38, at 7 a. m. 64, at 1 p. m. today 32.

State of water 7.5 feet, a fall of 1.18 last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIDAN Local Representative.

War Is Over,
Opinion of
Sir Edward

Paris, July 27.—Sir Edward Morris, premier of New Foundland, interviewed today by the Havas News agency, declared the Germans were beginning to realize that the war is practically finished. Premier Morris has just returned from the Somme front where the New Foundland detachment is stationed.

"The war is virtually finished and the Germans are beginning to realize it," he said. "The battle of Verdun is a victory for France. It is the finest of all glorious exploits and gives a new impulse to the whole nation.

"German prisoners with whom I talked, officers wearing the Iron cross, told me that the emperor and his staff were so sure that Germany has lost the game. The collapse of Germany is only a question of time. When that day arrives we must see to it that the victory won by our arms is not lost by diplomatic negotiations."

WANT TO WIDEN
INQUIRY SCOPE

Washington, July 27.—Prospects of an early agreement between the American and Mexican governments to submit the border disagreements to a joint commission were described as brighter today after Acting Secretary Polk again conferred with Eliseo Arredondo, General Carranza's ambassador. The conferees found themselves closer to agreement on the several points.

The Washington government wants to widen the scope of the commission investigation beyond the Carranza's suggestion that it discuss withdrawal of American troops, measures to protect American border interests from bandits, and the origin of raids.

It was assumed that Mr. Arredondo was able to assure Mr. Polk today that his government was willing that the commission should investigate economic and financial matters between the two countries with the hope of finding means to aid Mexico in the restoration of peace and order.

AURORA HOLDUP
MEN GET \$2,000

Aurora, Ill., July 27.—Two holdup men entered the office of the Home Building & Loan association here this afternoon at 1 o'clock and held up the cashier, Floyd Bell, 23 years old. They forced him at the point of guns to open the vault. Then they rendered him unconscious with a blow on the head. They escaped with approximately \$2,000. Bell was found lying unconscious on the floor of the office by other employees when they returned from lunch. He was in the office alone at the time of the robbery.

MEAT CUTTERS OUT
OF PACKING HOUSES

East St. Louis, Ill., July 27.—Meat cutters employed at the packing houses here of Swift & Co., Armour & Co. and Morris & Co., struck today.

Officials of the packing companies say about 300 men walked out but the union leaders say nearly 2,000 struck. Union leaders say the strike is due to the discharge of 50 men who were leaders in a secret movement to organize the butchers.

It was stated at the three packing houses that the strike would not interfere with business.

Frank A. Hunter, superintendent at the Swift plant, said about 100 of 400 butchers employed there were out and that 15 men were laid off yesterday because of slack business. John W. Patton of the Morris plant said 100 of 300 butchers employed there were out and Robert E. Conway of the Armour plant said 100 of their 400 butchers failed to appear for work today.

Henry Seibert, a trustee of the Meat Cutters' union, said many laborers and 200 women had quit work in sympathy with the butchers.

MEXICAN COLUMN
PURSUES BANDITS

El Paso, Texas, July 27.—With the receipt of reports that a force of 2,400 bandits are operating near Sierra Blanca, Mex., 60 miles south of Terlingua, Texas, a strong Mexican column was immediately dispatched from Ojinaga in pursuit, according to a telegram received today by Andres Garcia, Mexican consul here, from General Trevino.

It was this band that recently caused the strengthening of the American border patrols in the big bend district.

American Steamship Wrecked.

London, July 27, (2:30 p. m.)—The American steamship Carolyn, which went ashore on the Mola peninsula June 13, while taking a cargo of automobile trucks and general merchandise from New York to Archangel, Russia, is a hopeless wreck, according to all voices received here today. The cargo of the vessel is being salvaged.

Dwight Man Files Papers.

Springfield, Ill., July 27.—Frank L. Dwight of Dwight today filed with the secretary of state a petition as a candidate for the republican nomination for governor.

TEUTONS ARE
HOLDING FOE
IN TRIANGLEFrench and British Continuing Efforts to Widen Sack-
like Position.

HOPE AMONG GERMANS

Official Statement Says Offi-
cers and Men Are Now
Confident.

Headquarters of the German army on the Somme, July 25, (via Berlin, July 26, to London, July 27).—The French and British are continuing their efforts to widen the sack-like position north and south of the Somme, wherein they are now pinned on three sides by German armies.

German officers and men are confident they can hold their own. They are aided by the most powerful aggregation of artillery which Germany has as yet accumulated in any single battle theater.

Violent Artillery Duel.

Yesterday afternoon, shortly after the correspondents had left the battlefield, an artillery duel of violent proportions signaled the renewal of the struggle. From the intensity of the bombardment it was soon evident that the main effort of the allies would again be made on the line from Pozieres to Hardecourt—the sector which was the scene of such bitter fighting from July 20 to 23. The bombardment continued with increasing intensity the whole afternoon. Toward evening an attack was made in strong force by a British division headed by picked troops and bomb throwers.

Attackers Driven Out.

The attackers were able to establish a foothold in the German lines, but were later driven out by a German counter attack. The British also succeeded in entering temporarily the German trench in the vicinity of Longueval and Guemeneul, but here also were finally expelled.

General Foch supported his British colleagues with a determined attack south of the Somme. On the blood drenched terrain between Estrées and Soyecourt, he gained a few hundred meters of front line trenches south of Estrées, but was unable to hold them.

Take 6,250 Teutons.

Petrograd, July 27, (via London).—In the battle Tuesday on the Russian western front, 6,250 Teutons were taken prisoners, says the official statement issued today by the Russian war department. The Russians also captured five guns and 22 machine guns.

Russian forces operating in the Caucasus are continuing their pursuit of the retreating Turks, the statement says. In the Turkish fortress of Erzingan, the capture of which was announced yesterday, the Russians took a depot of war materials.

British Fleet Repulse.

Berlin, July 27, (via London).—British hand grenade attacks against the German lines to the west of the town of Pozieres in the Somme region were repulsed yesterday according to the announcement made by German army headquarters today.

South of the Somme a French attack launched at a point northeast of Barleux failed.

In the Verdun region several strong French attacks were carried out in the region of Froide Terre and Fleury but they were repulsed. Fighting continues at some points.

Artillery Active.

London, July 27.—Throughout the night, the British troops continued to press the enemy with hand to hand encounters at various points on the Somme front in France, says the official British statement issued today. The text says:

"Throughout the night our artillery had been active and we continued to press the enemy with hand to hand encounters at various points.

"The enemy is using a large number of gas and tear shells in the battle area.

"Elsewhere on the British front there was no incident of importance in the last 48 hours."

British Turkish Report.

London, July 27.—A British official statement issued today denied the Turkish official report of July 26 that

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DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE.

Resumed debate on army ap-
propriation bill.

HOUSE.

Met at noon.

Navy committee voted to dis-
agree to senate increases in naval
appropriation bill and to recom-
mend sending the measure to con-
ference.Passed resolution continuing
through August last year's supply
bills pending enactment of the
new appropriation measures.Chairman Padgett of naval com-
mittee reported naval bill recom-
mending disagreement to all sen-
ate amendments.

YOU SHOULD WORRY, WOODROW.

TIMBER BOATS
ARE ATTACKEDGerman Submarines Start Relentless
War Against Vessels in North
Sea, Sinking Four.

NORWEGIAN SHIPS ARE LOST

Captain of Keutegern Gives Report of
Destruction of Their
Craft.

London, July 27.—Twenty-eight men, members of the crews of the Norwegian ships Eams, Siebrid and Juno, were landed at Rotterdam today by a fishing smack, says a dispatch to Lloyd's shipping agency. The three vessels were sunk by torpedoes in the North sea while carrying cargoes of lumber.

German submarines have started a relentless war against timber laden vessels in the North sea. Four ships, all Norwegian, were reported to have been sunk today. They are the Eams, Siebrid, Juno and Keutegern. The captain and 15 men of the Keutegern were landed today at Shields, where they gave details of the destruction of their vessel. The German submarine commander, after examining the Norwegian vessel's papers, is quoted by members of the crew as saying:

"Well, I suppose I must do it. I am very sorry, but it is my duty. I am sick and tired of the whole business." The ship was then saturated with paraffine and set on fire.

No Report of Naval Action.

London, July 27.—Officials of the British admiralty informed the Associated Press today that they had no report of a new naval action in Scandinavian waters and had received nothing confirming unofficial reports of naval activity in that region.

A report published in a Stockholm newspaper on Wednesday said that prolonged firing had been heard Monday coming from the Gulf of Bothnia, which forms the northern arm of the Baltic sea.

WILSON STANDS FOR
BIG NAVAL PROGRAM

Washington, July 27.—President Wilson summoned to the White house today Representatives Padgett, Taibett and Estopinal, ranking democratic members of the house naval committee, and told them he believed it vital that the house adopt the naval bill as it passed the senate, with the construction program including four battle cruisers and four battleships, to be built immediately, and an increase in the enlisted personnel of the navy.

Representative Padgett, chairman of the committee, is understood to have told the president that there was certain to be determined opposition to the enlarged building program.

The naval committee, at a meeting after the White house conference, agreed to report the bill back to the house with a recommendation that the house disagree to all the senate amendments and send the bill to conference for adjustment there. By some this was taken as a favorable step for the larger program.

Prohibitionists Meet Hanly.

Chicago, July 27.—The national executive committee of the prohibition party was to meet here today with J. Frank Hanly, candidate for president, and Ira C. Landrith, nominee for vice president. Plans for the national campaign were to be mapped out. V. G. Hunsaw of Chicago is chairman of the committee.

Wheat Crop
Is Damaged
by Weather

Chicago, July 27.—Sensational crop damage reports from the northwest, including southern Manitoba, gave a sudden upward whirl today to wheat prices. On some transactions, the rise equaled 4 1/2 to 4 3/4, a bushel the September delivery touching 1.24 1/2, as against 1.19 1/2 at yesterday's finish.

Black rust and heat blight were said to be extending the damage area rapidly to the north. According to one leading expert, estimates of yields appeared to be valueless as the crop was shrinking constantly in quantity and quality.

MAY CONDUCT AN
INQUIRY OUTSIDE

Chicago, July 27.—Because of the "unusual number of subnormal persons," rounded up in Chicago for investigation, the psychopathic court today convened at 8:30 a. m. instead of 10 o'clock, the usual hour.

One hundred and eighteen persons were to go before the court today. Usually there have been only from 60 to 75 since the inquiry started recently. The police department has been particularly active in rounding up half-wits since Henry McIntyre, the negro fanatic killed six persons including himself.

The possibility that the committee of 29 named to conduct the inquiry might extend its investigations outside of the city of Chicago, was indicated today in the announcement that the state board of administration, Judge Thomas F. Scully of the county court, and the board of Cook county commissioners would confer this afternoon on the proposal of the county to turn the psychopathic hospital over to the state.

Judge Scully has named a committee of three women to investigate reports that the hospital for feeble minded children at Lincoln, Ill., is overcrowded, short of nurses and unsanitary.

HINTERLITER BAIL
QUESTION RAISED

Olney, Ill., July 27.—Interest in the criminal prosecution pending because of the death of Miss Elizabeth Ratcliffe, aged 17, as a result of an attempt at an illegal operation, centered today on the efforts that would be made to secure bail for Roy Hunter, who was bound over to the grand jury by the coroner's jury.

The circuit judge will return here August 21 and at that time an attempt will be made to secure bail for Hinterliter. Many friends have offered to sign the bond.

PRESIDENT WILSON
NAMES LOAN BOARD

Washington, July 27.—President Wilson today nominated Charles E. Lobdell of Great Bend, Kas., George W. Norris of Philadelphia, W. S. A. Smith of Sioux City, Iowa, and Herbert Quick of Berkeley Springs, W. Va., as members of the farm loan board created under the rural credit bill recently passed by congress. Secretary McAdoo is an ex-officio member of the board.

BRITISH ALLIES
URGE BLACKLISTOn Account of Their Understood Position
Entered States May Take
Up Issues With Them.

LISTED FIRMS MARKING TIME

Foreign Statement Says Fifty Interest-
ed Concerns Have Refused to
Join Organization.

Washington, July 27.—A note to Great Britain objecting to the black-listing of American business firms as an "invasion of neutral rights" was cabled to London last night by the state department.

Washington, July 27.—A protest against operations of a blacklist against American business houses under the British trading-with-the-enemy act will go to London soon, probably within a few days. The communication, virtually completed now, will discuss principles involved, and will not interfere with informal discussions between representatives of the two governments over the cases of individual concerns, it was said today.

Officials hold the blacklist injures American houses in violation of international law. Issues involved may be taken up also with Britain's allies, who are understood to have urged the blacklist on the ground that their own merchants were suffering and British merchants profiting through failure of London to follow their leading in making war on all enemies, commercial as well as military.

Say Fifty Not Members.

New York, July 27.—Statements from a number of firms on the British trade blacklist insisted today that the newly organized association to resist British domination of American commerce is not a representative body. It was said at least fifty blacklisted firms have refused to join the organization.

Recent developments indicating that the United States government has taken a hand in the controversy and that the effect of the British government's order would not be as severe as was feared, caused many of the interested firms to mark time.

Maurice B. Blumenthal, counsel for the association, said he had postponed his trip to seek an interview with President Wilson. He said, however, he had written to the president, asking whether the government desired data regarding individual cases of loss caused by the blacklist.

EXPLORE FURTHER
WHEN GAS CLEARS

Cleveland, Ohio, July 27.—Preparations for further exploration of the tunnel in which 19 lost their lives early this week were made today. Special machinery will be needed. It will require several days to install it if gas clears from the workings. It will then require several days digging to reach the corpses. No more bodies are expected to be found for a week or more.

Waterworks officials said today they believe there are only nine bodies in the tunnel, instead of eleven, as previously estimated. The loss of life is now placed at 19.

Slayer Is Exonerated.

Mount Vernon, Ill., July 27.—Mrs. Orville Perry shot and killed Nathan Sexton, aged 45, at Belleflower, south-east of here Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Perry has not been arrested. She says she shot Sexton because he pressed his attentions on her. She was exonerated by a coroner's jury.

SUBMARINE
MAY AWAIT
COMPANIONEnglish Deny Appearance of
Cruiser as Reported by
Men on Louisiana.

NEUTRALITY ENFORCED

Deutschland May Remain
Another Week, Is State-
ment Given Out.

Washington, July 27.—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, informed Acting Secretary Polk today that he had received a message from the admiral commanding the British squadron in the Atlantic, denying that a British warship had entered Chesapeake bay, as reported by the commander of the battleship Louisiana.

The admiral said the British ships had strict orders not to enter the three-mile limit of American territorial waters and the admiral had reported that their instructions had not been violated at any time.

Mr. Polk was told that the British admiral was indignant over the report that one of his cruisers had made an incursion into Chesapeake bay under cover of darkness early yesterday morning.

The statement of the ambassador will be accepted by the state department but the commander of the Louisiana is being pressed by the navy for further details of his report, that a craft which passed him at Lynnhaven inlet signalled "English cruiser." Officials do not know what to make of the case but some are inclined to believe the American officer was victim of a hoax.

Norfolk, Va., July 27.—The armored cruiser North Carolina and three destroyers just outside Cape Henry near the allied warship patrol line worked slowly up and down today close to an English cruiser.

Supplemental reports on the mysterious appearance of an unidentified British cruiser within the capes Monday night were being prepared by naval officers here today for the navy department. Various details of the incident have gone forward to Washington, but the department has expressed a desire for more. One point it is understood, that it desires cleared up is why the cruiser was passing leaving the capes. Thus far the only report of her being seen after she passed the battleship Louisiana on her upward journey has come from unofficial sources, who said they saw her on her outward journey near Cape Henry shortly before daylight.

Will Not Leave for Week.

Baltimore, July 27.—Capt. Paul Koenig of the merchant submarine Deutschland plans to start back today to Germany, there was no signs this morning at the pier indicative of immediate departure.

Overnight developments, in fact, tended to increase the probability of a report late last night that it had been decided to hold the Deutschland here until some word had been received concerning her sister ship, the Bremen.

When Carl A. Luederitz, German consul here announced that the reception to Ambassador von Bernstorff, which he had planned at his home for last evening, had been indefinitely postponed, he was asked when the Deutschland would leave.

"She will not leave for a week," answered Mr. Luederitz. "Postponement of the reception to the ambassador was owing to his inability to come here."

The Deutschland crew slept aboard the interned North German-Lloyd steamer Neckar last night.

To Enforce Neutrality.

Washington, July 27.—The armored cruiser North Carolina and three United States destroyers were on neutrality duty today outside the Virginia capes, where allied warships are hovering in wait for the submarine Deutschland, about to leave Baltimore for Germany and the submarine Bremen, expected hourly from across the seas.

It was assumed today that the commander of the North Carolina was ordered to see that the submarines were not attacked within the three mile limit and that American neutrality was not otherwise violated.

Looking for Bremen.

Beaufort, N. C., July 27.—Two allied warships appeared off Beaufort inlet last night following reports that the German merchant submarine Bremen was headed this way. Nothing was seen of the submarine, but the warships continued their patrol today, cruising about 15 miles off shore.

Admiralty Not Informed.

London, July 27.—At the admiralty today it was stated that no information had been received there regarding the reported mysterious visit Monday night of a British cruiser within the American territorial waters of the Virginia capes.

Colonel Shafroth Dead.

Fayette, Mo., July 27.—Colonel William Shafroth, aged 72, brother of Senator John H. Shafroth of Colorado, died here last night.